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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I picked TracFone Service in order to have two wireless phones for less than the price of one wireless phone. My wife and I use them very infrequently. This allows us to have cellular communication when we are away from each other and need to communicate, touch base, you know... "where are you, when will you be home". Our calls are quick and cost a lot per minute... but work for us. A dollar a month (for us it would be two dollars per month) does not seem like a lot, especially if your employeed (and I haven't been employeed [-> laid off due to corporate restructuring] for over two years).

If you must pass this charge on to folks... only pass it on to those cell phone users who are on a monthly billing cycle. A dollar to most of them would seem insignificant.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members